



**SCASL Board Minutes**  
**Executive Board Business Meeting at Conference**  
**March 9, 2022**

**I. Welcome and Call to Order** - Katherine Malmquist-1:21 pm

**II. In Attendance:**

**Katherine Malmquist**, President; **Heather Loy**, Past President; **Tamara Cox**, President-Elect, **Gloria Coleman**, Secretary; **Camellia Harris**, Treasurer; **Elizabeth Graham**, Regional Network, **Michelle Spires**, Advocacy; **Jennifer Nix**, Awards; **Melanie Starks**, Book Awards; **Amanda Cox**, Bylaws; **Edie Crook**, Editorial; **Jill Tyner**, Intellectual Freedom; **Katherine Freligh**, IT; **Tenley Middleton**, Legislative; **Kim Mistler**, Non-Public; **Mike Leroy**, Standards; **Tracey Burel**, Pre-Service; **Elizabeth Gregory**, Retired; **Julie Putman**, Supervisors; **Martha Taylor**, Presidential Advisor (virtual), **Diane Ervin**, Executive Secretary; **Jenna Spiering**, USC-SLIS; **Loni Lewis**, Diversity, Equity, Inclusion.

**B. Not in Attendance:** Tambra Pingle, Archives; Amy Armstrong, Paraprofessional

**AGENDA ITEMS**

**III. Review & Voting of January Minutes-Gloria Coleman**

- a) The president shared changes to the minutes
- b) Corrections were received for minutes.
- c) Tamara Cox motioned to approve minutes with corrections.
- d) The motion was second by Tracey Burel
- e) The motion is passed unanimously

**IV. Treasurer's Report-Camellia Harris**

- a) The current checking as of March 6th is \$110,000
- b) The expenses are at \$36,000
- c) The net profit is \$74,000
- d) The checking is \$122,848.18
- e) The savings is \$31,983.10
- f) The total as of March 9th is \$154,831.28.

## **V. - Executive Secretary's Report-Diane Ervin**

- a) There are 473 people registered for the conference.
- b) There are 65 guests, for a total of 538 people attending the conference.
- c) The membership is currently at 780.

## **VI. - Past President Report-Heather Loy**

- a) Heather is asking for assistance with finding a conference venue, please email her.
- b) The Greenville contract had a February date, but they fixed it. They do have a March date. They also sent quotes for hotel rates. She did not get a quote from the Hyatt hotel and has not heard from them.

## **VII. - President's Report-Katherine Malmquist**

- a) Katherine reported on Zoom vs. GoToMeeting for the SCASL license.
- b) According to the surveys, most of the board does not care which company we use. Zoom is easy to use.
- c) There is a \$20 cost difference for the license.
- d) Katherine had two concerns 1. The Zoom contact has been uncommunicative 2. The meeting rooms in GoToMeeting have a limit of 250 and Zoom's limit is 100.
- e) Katherine will continue to contact Zoom to see if they will offer SCASL a discount
- f) Katherine will see if she can get other sponsors to help with costs.
- g) The discussion was tabled until further information, which will be sent to the board via email for input.
- h) The AASL Commendation will be presented for The Greenville Drive at one of the games.
- i) The AASL Commendation form has been added to the Messenger to ask members to make a nomination. A form will appear on the website and be added to the Listserv as well.
- j) The next meeting date is May 7th. It will be virtual. No one had objections to the date.
- k) SCASL's pre-con for the IASL conference will be July 11th. Katherine needs suggestions for speakers. Ida Thompson's name was given as a suggestion for the speaker.
- l) Katherine is working on virtual visits that show how schools handle things.
- m) ALA is in June in Washington, DC. Currently, the plan is for Katherine, Tamara, and the president-elect to attend. The early bird registration is in March.

## **VIII.- Conference Update-Tamara Cox**

- a) Tamara wants everyone to give assistance to those who have never been to this venue before.
- b) Tamara gave directions for the venue floors.

#### **IX.- Legislative- Hill Day-Tenley Middleton**

- a.) Tenley will be writing an article to include in the Messenger concerning Hill Day.
- b) Tenley stated that now is a great time to let the legislature know your thoughts.
- c) There is some confusion about how books arrive and what that process is. Tamara and Tenley have previously mailed information to Representative Allison to address that concern.
- d) Tenley reported that Hill Day was a positive experience and she believes something will pass from the bills on curriculum and instruction.
- e) Katherine stated that we need to get the community involved in public education.

#### **X. - Advocacy-Suggestion for School Library Month-Michelle Spires**

- a) Advocacy will do social media activities every month.
- b) Suggestions were given for School Library Month.
- c) Katherine reported that Tennessee is issuing offenses if you have certain books in the library, which means that librarians could be in danger of losing their jobs.

#### **XI. - Other Committee Business**

- a) USC is celebrating its 50th Anniversary. Everyone is encouraged to attend the events.

**XII. - Adjournment:** Elizabeth Gregory- motioned to adjourn. Tamara Cox, second. The motion was unanimously approved. Adjourned at 2:00 pm

**Next Meeting is on 5/7/ 2022 at 10:00AM**